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The cold storages are all closed. Good fellowship prevails. The city is yours. Astoria, capital of Queen Frances' monarchy, is the home of all her subjects. Loyalty means devotion to her policy. She has proclaimed this a season of pleasure. Any one caught airing troubles may be arrested for treason and deported to a more congenial clime. This capital city has no penitentiaries, no lunatic-asylums, no politicians and parliament will not be prolonged this summer. Things that might disturb one's peace of mind have been avoided. Diversions varied in their nature have been provided for land and water. Thousands enjoyed the racing yesterday. There will be more interesting races tomorrow and some of the best are reserved till Friday. If there is anything you want that is not provided for, let it be known. The queen has invited all to meet her in person at a reception tonight and none should miss the opportunity. Her Majesty will make you feel the welcome that only the queen of Astoria can extend.

The Daily Commercial News of San Francisco call a Seattle paper to account for the statement that San Francisco last year led the Sound in exports by barely \$1,000,000, and for the prediction that the Sound will take the lead in export trade the coming year. "Puget sound is a great country," says the News "but it has hardly become the commercial center of the Pacific coast, and a more thorough study of figures will show that in the race

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for supremacy the Sound mistook the direction last year and started backward, for according to the figures of the export trade of the coast recently compiled San Francisco's exports last year amounted to \$37,000,000 exclusive of shipments to Hawaii and Alaska, which is a lead of four and a half millions over the Sound, while, taking into consideration the trade with Hawaii and Alaska the lead was increased to over nine millions, or double the lead of a year ago. As for the Sound taking the lead in the present year it has assuredly made a slow start, for its exports during July amounted to \$1,031,224, as compared with \$2,782,972 for San Francisco.

Major-General Samuel Balwin Marks Young is now commander of the American army. He is the first commander who has risen from the ranks.

A list of the commanding officers of the Continental and the United States armies follows:

George Washington, general commander in chief of the Continental army, from 1776 to 1783.

Major General Knox, Dec. 23, 1783, to June 20, 1784.

Captain John Doughty June 20, 1874, to Aug. 12, 1874.

Lieutenant Colonel Josiah Harmer, Aug. 12, 1784, to March 4, 1791.

Major General Arthur St. Claire, March 4, 1791 to March 5, 1792.

Major-General Anthony Wayne, April 13, 1792, to Dec. 15, 1796.

Brigadier General James Wilkinson, Dec. 15, 1796, to July 13, 1798.

Lieutenant General George Washington July 13, 1798, to Dec. 14, 1799.

Major General Alexander Hamilton, Dec. 14, 1799, to June 15, 1800.

Brigadier General James J. Wilkinson June 15, 1800, to Jan. 27, 1812.

Major General Henry Dearborn, Jan. 27, 1812, to June 15, 1815.

Major General Jacob Brown, June 15, 1815, to Feb. 24, 1824.

Major General Alexander Macomb, May, 29, 1828, to June 25, 1841.

Major General Winfield Scott, June 5, 1841, to 1855, and as brevet lieutenant general to Nov. 1, 1861.

Major General G. B. McClellan, from Nov. 1, 1861, to March 11, 1862.

Major General H. W. Halleck, July 22, 1862, to March 9, 1864.

Lieutenant General U. S. Grant, March 12, 1864, to July 25, 1866, and as general from July 26, to March 4, 1869.

General William T. Sherman, March 8, 1869, to Nov. 1, 1882.

Lieutenant General P. H. Sheridan, Nov. 1, 1882, to June 1, 1888, and as general to Aug. 5, 1888.

Lieutenant General J. M. Schofield, Aug. 5, 1888, to Sept. 29, 1895.

Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, Oct. 6, 1895, to Aug. 8, 1903.

General F. V. Coville began his military career as an enlisted man in the Twelfth Pennsylvania infantry. All of his 21 predecessors as commanders of the army began as commissioned officers.

The North Pacific squadron, now at Bremerton, has been ordered to Astoria during regatta week. Under the peculiar conditions the secretary of the navy has not ordered the Astoria saloons closed during this visit.—Salem Journal

No, its no use to order saloons closed in Astoria while beer is being poured into the river at Salem above in 500 barrel quantities.

An uncharged and uncaught desperado in Montana has proposed a duel with a detective of Butte City and the officer has said that he will accept. Wonder if any of the Portland officials are trembling through fear of receiving a challenge from some of the thugs that have been running that city recently?

A coastly thrower was arrested in Olympia the other day. Remember this is a form of amusement that can be abused.

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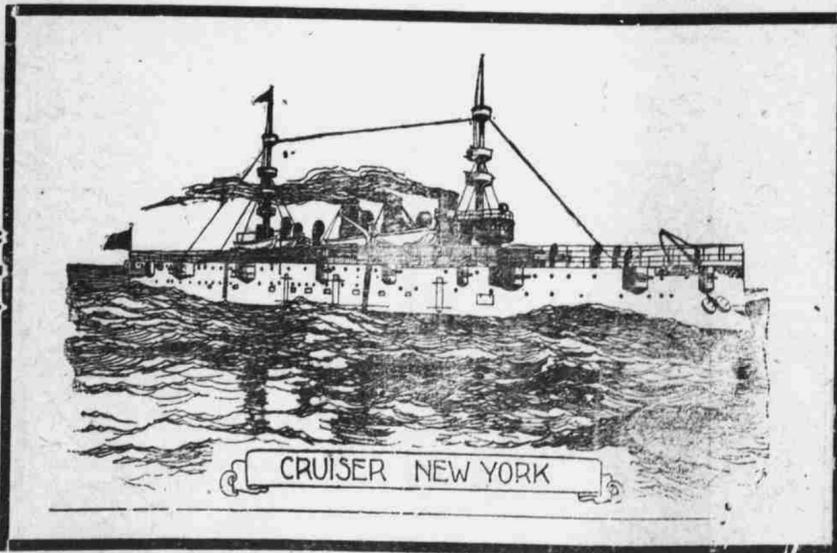
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